



CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH SERVICE BOARD

COMMUNIQUE

MARCH 2023

This Communique highlights key discussion from the Child and Adolescent Health Service Board's March 2023 meeting as well as other important information.

The second Board meeting for 2023 was held on 3 March 2023 at Perth Children's Hospital (PCH) Boardroom and via MS Teams.

Discussion – Coronial Inquest into the Death of Aishwarya Aswath – Report of Findings

The Board discussed the Findings and Recommendations arising from the Coroner's Report into the Death of Aishwarya Aswath including the monitoring of the implementation of recommendations.

Consumer Engagement

The minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee from January 2023 was noted as tabled with discussion of the governance arrangements for all Consumer committees.

Complaints and Compliments

The Board discussed Consumer Experience Moment and the Complaints and Compliments report as tabled.

Board Committees

The Board received reports from its Standing Committees as follows:

1. Safety & Quality Committee

The Board noted the Safety & Quality Chair Report and draft minutes of the 7 December 2023 meeting and the Committee's recommendations.

2. Audit and Risk Committee

The Board noted the Audit and Risk Committee Chair Report, draft minutes from the meeting held on 14 February 2023 and tabled recommendations. The Board welcomed a proposal to establish an audit and risk committee as part of the new CAHS Committee Structure.

3. Finance Committee

The Board noted the Finance Committee Chair Report, draft minutes of the 21 February 2023 meeting and the Committee's recommendations. The Board congratulated the CAHS Finance team for being recognised as one of the Top 20 Best Practice Entities for 2021-22 by the OAG based on its audit results.

4. People, Capability and Culture Committee

The Board noted that the People, Culture and Capability Committee did not hold a meeting in February 2023.

Key Reports

1. Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services

Key items of discussion included:

- The continued focus on improvement within Ward 5A;
- CAMHS reforms and models of care; and
- Progress against recommendations.

2. Community Health

Key items of discussion included:

- Ear Health training;
- Health navigator pilot program;
- Community Health Key Performance Indicators; and
- Innovative pathway for ADHD.

3. Perth Children's Hospital and Neonatology Services

The Board noted the Good Catch Award Nominations and acknowledged the timely identification of the sepsis case.

Key items of discussions included:

- Training and employment of Junior and Resident Medical Officers;
- Patient Care Co-ordination and triage;
- Women's and Newborns Relocation Project – Neonatology Services

4. Nursing Services

The Board noted the report regarding COVID Lessons Learnt.

5. Procurement, Infrastructure and Contract Management

Key items of discussion included:

- Progress on fire remediation at KEMH;
- Progress on the WA Children's Hospice, Midland and Murdoch Community Hubs projects;
- Digital Medical Record (DMR);
- Medical Equipment replacement.

6. Aboriginal Health - Cultural Safety Audit

The Board emphasised the significance of identifying the Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing service gaps to facilitate opportunities for improvement and requested to proceed with the Aboriginal Health and Cultural Safety Audit.

Chief Executive Report

The A/Chief Executive highlighted:

- Amended Health Service Bill 2021;
- Proposal to establish a vaccine center of excellence;
- Monthly legal update.

Next Meeting

The next Board Meeting is scheduled to occur on Thursday 6 April 2023

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BOARD CHAIR

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21 March 2023